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20 CHILDREN DEAD OF NEW PLAGUE IN SCOTT COUNTY

Strange Disease Raging In Oran, Kelso and Other Towns In Scott County.

FOURTEEN CHILDREN IN ORAN SUCCUMB TO NEW EPIDEMIC

Nature of Disease Still Undetermined—Has Symptoms Similar to Cholera.

At least twenty children ranging from six months to ten years and several adults have succumbed to a strange disease which invaded Scott County two weeks ago, and has also made its first appearance in the northern section of Stoddard County. One death resulting from the disease has been reported to the Health Department in the Cape. The child was brought here from Sikeston and expired at the home of its aunt.

Oran, Fomfelt, an important railroad center of the same county, and Kelso have reported the largest number of victims of this new disease which the physicians have diagnosed "bloody flux."

According to Mayor C. F. Crader of Oran, the following children have been claimed by the new plague during the past two weeks:

Lane and Gladys Crafton, 3 and 8 years old, respectively, children of Jesse Crafton.

James Limbaugh, 20 months old, son of J. R. Limbaugh.

Philip Swafford, 13 months old, son of Thos. Swafford.

Harry Stehr, 2 years old, son of C. M. Stehr.

Leo Robert, 1-year old son of Alonzo Robert.

Mary Stehr, 1-year old daughter of Philip Stehr.

Frederick Menz, 2-year old son of Henry Menz.

Elsie Brown, 9-year old daughter of Gentry Brown.

Harry Aden, 9-year old son of C. N. Aden.

Katherine Sturgeon, 2-year old daughter of J. N. Sturgeon.

Linsie Crader, 11-month old daughter of F. H. Crader.

Son of William Vaughn.

Child of W. B. Steele.

Eighteen-year old son of Benedict Stehr of New Hamburg.

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Leola May Duval, daughter of Alvin Duval.

Son of Lee Bain.

Daughter of Herman Glueck.

Ralph Edward Cottner, 2-year old son of John Cottner of Fomfelt.

The first case of the new disease made its appearance at Oran about two weeks ago. The number of children falling victims to the plague increased from day to day, and physicians became alarmed at the wide scope the disease was gaining. Every treatment was given the children. It is estimated that from 40 to 50 children are suffering from the disease in Scott County, and several are in such critical condition that the physicians have given up hopes of recovery for the little ones.

A number of adults have also been found to be suffering from the new disease. A woman, 60 years old, living near New Hamburg, is reported in a precarious condition and not expected to live. Other cases throughout the county have been reported, and the physicians are bending efforts to curb the malady.

Dr. Henry Rodenmayer of Kelso informed The Tribune that the symptoms of the new disease were similar to those of cholera. As a rule, he said, the first signs of the disease follow a hearty meal, consisting principally of vegetables. The cause, however has not been definitely determined by the physicians.

The ailment proves invariably fatal in at least eight out of every ten cases. Infants and children of 12 to 20 months are mainly subject to the disease. Physicians have found that nearly every case can be traced to fresh vegetables, and in many cases

DR. SCHUCHERT WILL RESIGN AS COUNCIL MEMBER

Expects To Be Called With Band to Training Camp In Few Weeks.

SPECIAL ELECTION WILL BE HELD IN FIRST WARD

Councilman Anxious to See Improvements Made He Advocated in City Council.

Dr. C. E. Schuchert, representing the First ward in the City Council, will tender his resignation as member of the City Council in a few weeks, he announced yesterday. Owing to the fact that the band, of which Dr. Schuchert is director, has been accepted as a unit of the Missouri Sixth, the councilman is expecting a call at any time.

The resignation of Dr. Schuchert as a member of the City Council will necessitate a special election in the First ward. The election must be called by Mayor Hirsch after the resignation of Councilman Schuchert has been accepted.

Several weeks ago Dr. Schuchert offered his musicians, which is acknowledged to be the best in Southeast Missouri, as the band of the Missouri Sixth. Brigadier General Clark accepted the offer and ordered Dr. Schuchert to have his men mustered in.

Major Linxweiler of the Missouri National Guard came to the Cape last week to swear in the members of the band. Twenty-two were accepted, and with four additional players, the band will be brought to war strength.

It is not definitely known when the band together with the Cape company of the Missouri Sixth will be called out, but it is believed that the order to have them report at the State training camp at Nevada is forthcoming in a few weeks.

Dr. Schuchert was elected councilman last April. He ran on the Hirsch ticket against Ed S. Blumer, whom he defeated by a small majority. Since he has been a member of the City Council Dr. Schuchert has become the author of several important bills, which were passed by the City Council.

It was due to Dr. Schuchert's efforts that the ordinance authorizing the paving of Broadway between Lorimer and Middle street was put through.

He was also one of the strongest supporters of the paving of North Main street, which is part of the First ward.

Dr. Schuchert said yesterday he would like to see the improvements started before he tendered his resignation. He said he was confident that the work on Broadway could be begun in a short time. Bids for the contract will be asked by the City Council at the next meeting, and the contract may be let at the following meeting, which will be held on the third Monday of next month.

Dr. Schuchert created a strong sentiment against himself when he began advocating the present street cleaning system. Many citizens have protested because of the unsanitary results, but the councilman refused to yield to the many complaints. He maintains that the present street cleaning system is better than ever before, and that at present more streets are cleaned within a week, than were before in a whole year.

NAETER BABY CRITICALLY ILL Is Taken to St. Louis Hospital for Treatment.

The baby of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Naeter was taken to St. Louis early this morning for treatment in a St. Louis Hospital. The child has been seriously ill for several days, and the parents decided to take the infant to St. Louis in order that it may receive treatment from a specialist.

The child was born several weeks ago. It is the first born in the Naeter family since the birth of its father, the junior member of Naeter brothers. Mrs. Naeter, who took the child to St. Louis, was accompanied by a physician.

KING OF WAR AVIATORS IN THE CLOUDS



This, considered the most remarkable aerial photograph ever taken, shows Captain Guynemer, premier war aviator of France, guarding observation planes, from one of which the photograph was made. Shortly after the picture was taken Guynemer attacked a German airplane and sent it crashing to the earth, 10,000 feet below.

COLLAPSED FROM PTOMAIN ATTACK

Jesse Heath Rendered Unconscious In Front of Haarig Restaurant.

While standing in front of his restaurant on Good Hope street late yesterday afternoon Jesse Heath suffered a sudden attack of ptomaine poisoning and collapsed. He was carried to his home adjoining the restaurant and a physician was called to give him first aid.

The attack is attributed to some canned tomatoes which Mr. Heath ate yesterday morning. He had been ailing all day, but was still able to attend to his work in the restaurant. The attack yesterday afternoon was so severe that he remained unconscious for several hours.

Several persons, who saw him collapse, hurried to his assistance. It was believed at first that Mr. Heath was the victim of heat prostration, but the examination of the physician revealed that the patient had suffered an attack of ptomaine poisoning.

PROGRAM FOR TONIGHT'S CONCERT AT COURTHOUSE

Seven Numbers Selected by Director Schuchert.

The "Reminiscences of the Civil War," resounding the reunion of Confederate and Unionists, is the main number of the program for the third public concert to be given this evening at the Courthouse Park by Dr. C. E. Schuchert's military band.

Six other numbers have been selected by the director for tonight's concert, which will start at 7:45 o'clock. They are:

- March—Selected.
- Medley Overture No. 2—"War Songs of the Boys in Blue."
- Overture—"Ruy Blas," by F. Mendelssohn Bartholdy, arranged by Theo. Moses Tobani.
- "For you a Rose"—One-tem.
- Waltz-Hesitation—"The Only Girl," by Victor Herbert.
- "A Rag"—Some band rag.
- "From Fireside to Battlefield"—Reminiscences of Civil War.

AMERICAN ACQUIRES FINE DUTCH PICTURES

The Hague, June 27.—A great collection of pictures by the celebrated Dutch painter, Hendrik Mesdag, noted for his studies of cloudy skies and water, has been sold to an unnamed American purchaser at a high price.

AUTOS IN COLLISION NEAR ROCK CRUSHER

Touring Car With Five Occupants Overturns—All Escape Injuries.

A Ford touring car occupied by three young ladies and two young men was overturned and thrown into the ditch near the pond north of Hely's rock crusher yesterday evening shortly after 6. The accident was caused by a collision with the automobile of Roy Smith of Illmo, who attempted to pass the first automobile.

The Ford car was only slightly damaged, and the occupants escaped with a few cuts and bruises. The machine was pulled back on the road and the party continued on their way to the Cape.

Both machines were coming from Illmo. When they reached the railroad crossing at the Hely pond, Smith attempted to pass the car ahead of his own, and struck the hub of the left rear wheel. The impact was so heavy that the Ford was overturned and rolled into the ditch on the east side of the road.

Several men returning home from Hely's rock crusher assisted in pulling the car back onto the road.

BOY SCOUTS TO RECEIVE MEDICAL INSTRUCTION

Dr. Berry Will Address Troops at Commercial Club.

Instructions on first aid to injured will be given the Boy Scouts this evening at the Commercial Club by Dr. J. W. Berry, who was recently commissioned a captain in the Medical Corps of the United States army. Scoutmaster Bain has issued an order to his scouts to attend the lecture.

This is the first of a series of lectures the Boy Scouts will receive along the line of aiding the injured. Several other physicians have offered to give similar lectures to the Boy Scouts.

6 WHITE HOUSE PICKETS CHOOSE JAIL TO \$25 FINE

Washington, June 27.—Convicted of obstructing traffic in militant demonstrations at the White House, six suffragists of the National Women's party today declared they would serve an alternative of three days in the Workhouse rather than pay the \$25 fines. All have been prominent nationally in suffrage work.

2 CONTINGENTS OF U. S. SOLDIERS LAND IN FRANCE

First Section Arrived Tuesday, Another Followed Yesterday—General Pershing Expected Today to Take Command.

SUBMARINE REPORTS WILL SHOW INCREASE FOR LAST WEEK

Two German Merchantmen Sunk In English Channel—American Sailing Ship Torpedoed.

A French Seaport, June 27.—The second detachment of United States troops arrived here this morning and were immediately disembarked to be sent to the battle front. The first contingent landed here yesterday morning. When the news of approaching of the ships bearing the United States soldiers was given out, hundreds of citizens gathered at the pier to cheer the arriving troops. The trip from the American shore to France was made without an accident.

After disembarking the troops were sent to a camp at a point near the port, where Major General W. L. Sibert is installed. After a short rest the men will be sent to the front under the command of Major General Pershing, who is expected to arrive Thursday.

Washington, June 27.—The landing of the American soldiers at a French seaport Tuesday and Wednesday morning cannot be discussed at this time for obvious reasons regarding the safety of other contingents to be sent to the battlefields. The men who reached France are a part of the contingent of Major General Pershing. These troops will be an entirely independent command, as are the British and other forces, with the French at the head of the operations.

The men landed in France are all regulars as will be all who have been placed under the command of General Pershing. These troops comprise the contingent, which was ordered to the front by President Wilson at the "earliest possible time."

President Wilson in May directed that a division of regular troops, about 25,000 men, with a regiment of marines, about 2500 men, proceed to France. Major General Pershing, who will command the American expeditionary force, has been in France with his staff and a number of orderlies for some time.

Washington, June 27.—The nation's contribution to the Red Cross is estimated at \$114,000,000 by Henry P. Davison, chairman of the War Council, in a statement pointing out that never before in the world's history was such a fund raised in so short a time. This estimate assumes that special corporation dividends which were declared to the amount of \$20,000,000, will be turned over to the Red Cross. Local chapters of the Red Cross are entitled to retain for their own work 25 per cent of the amount collected.

The Red Cross has cabled to each of the allied Governments seeking authority to install Red Cross dispensaries in each of the important seaport cities, and has cabled \$1,000,000 to Major Grayson H. P. Murphy in France for American relief work there. A commission of 20 experts, under Dr. Frank Billing of Chicago will be sent to Russia to study the needs and the best means of aiding the Russian people.

London, June 27.—The American sailing ship Galena, 1048 gross tons, was sunk by a bomb June 25, off Ushant Island, off the coast of France, 26 miles northwest of Brest. There were no casualties.

The Galena was formerly the barkentine Fooking Sacy. She left here March 22 with cargo for Rouen, France. She carried a crew of 18 men commanded by Capt. P. V. Marshall, among whom, according to the records of the United States Commissioner of Shipping here, were eight American citizens. The vessel was built in 1888 at Glasgow, Scotland, and when launched Queen Victoria is said to have pressed the button that released her from the stocks.

Washington, June 27.—With recruiting week half gone, War Department officials estimate that the regular army still is more than 50,000 men short of war strength of 300,000 men, the goal it had been hoped to attain by Friday night.

The total number of volunteers for the regulars obtained since April 1 stood at 126,400 Monday. This means that the great majority of the regiments are close to full war strength, but it does not provide the necessary reserves to keep them at that strength, and that is why the President called for 70,000 men.

Only nine States are on the honor roll as having provided their quota of war volunteers. Only eight others have their quotas 75 per cent complete. Twenty are below the 50 per cent line and six are below 25 per cent.

London, June 27.—The total of British ships lost in the last week in the submarine zone will show an increase over last week's figures, according to an announcement today, in advance of tonight's official statistics.

Last week German submarines sank twenty-seven British ships of more than 1600 tons and five of less than that tonnage. It was the biggest week's score since the week ending April 27. The forecast on tomorrow's report, therefore, indicates continued increase in sinkings.

The Hague, June 27.—Two German merchant ships plying between German ports and Rotterdam have been sunk by British mines or submarines. Sea traffic between Rotterdam and German ports is increasing and great quantities of supplies are being taken from this country. Last week twenty-two German ships from Hamburg and Baltic ports put in at Rotterdam.

New York, June 27.—Twenty-two lives were lost when the Greek steamer Madrikryakos was torpedoed and sunk 300 miles off the English coast May 31, while enroute from South America to England. There were only three survivors.